IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.BASHEER

WEDNESDAY, THE 4TH JULY 2007 / 13TH ASHADHA 1929

WP(C).No. 20416 of 2007(E)

PETITIONER:

G.R.ANIL,
HSST SOCIOLOGY, P.K.S. HSS KANJIRAMKULAM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY ADV. SRI.BENOY THOMAS

RESPONDENTS:

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1. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY
THE SECRETARY, GENERAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. DIRECTOR OF HIGHER SECONDARY EDUCATION,
DIRECTORATE OF HIGHER SECONDARY EDUCATION,
HOUSING BOARD BUILDING, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY GOVT.PLEADER SRI.A.J.VARGHESE.

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 04/07/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

A.K. Basheer, J.

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Dated this the 4TH day of July, 2007.

J U D G M E N T

Petitioner was appointed as Higher Secondary School Teacher (Junior), in Sociology with effect from August 7, 2000 in an aided school. It is admitted by the petitioner that he had not acquired B.Ed qualification at the time of his appointment. However he executed a bond before the authority undertaking to acquire the above qualification. In Ext.P1 order of appointment petitioner was granted time till August 6, 2007 to do so. It appears that petitioner has not been able to achieve it. He prays for enlargement of the time fixed by the appointing authority.

2. Learned counsel submits that petitioner has preferred Ext.P7 representation before the Government with the above request. The limited prayer is to issue a direction to respondent No.1 to take an expeditious decision on Ext.P7 and thus enable the petitioner to acquire the requisite qualification. Petitioner points out that in identical situations, the Government had enlarged time. Exts.P4 and P5 are stated to be two such instances.

3. Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader I am satisfied that the writ petition can be disposed of with appropriate directions

In the above facts and circumstances the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1 to consider and pass orders on Ext.P7 strictly on its merit and in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, at any rate within two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. Needless to mention that the petitioner shall be afforded sufficient opportunity to be heard before any decision is taken.

A.K. Basheer
Judge.

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